## WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LIVING SAVIOR!

April 28, 2024 www.livingsaviorlutheran.org

We are glad you are with us and pray a blessing on your worship today! Visitors are asked to sign the **Guest Register** on the table in the Narthex (entrance) and sign the **Welcome Book** giving your address and phone number.

**Living Savior's MISSION** is to know the love of Christ and serve God so that the Holy Spirit may work through us to bring others to Christ.

| Average Sunday Attendance |         |                       |  |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------|--|
|                           | Worship | <b>Education Hour</b> |  |
| Jan                       | 135     |                       |  |
| Feb                       | 112     |                       |  |
| March                     | 142     |                       |  |
| Last Sunday               | 129     |                       |  |
|                           |         |                       |  |

The 2024 Flower Chart is in the walkway! Sign-up today to get your pick of Sundays. Cost for each Sunday is \$45.

Flowers this week are given to the Glory of God by the Lunsford family.

LAY READERS - If you are a trained Lay Reader and would like to read during May or June please see Dr. Horton to select a date(s) to read. If you have not received the training to be a Lay Reader but would like to become a Lay Reader, please see Dr. Horton so that you can receive the training.

Living Savior Lutheran Church Care Cards are located in the Narthex magazine rack and provide a valuable list of community support organizations with phone numbers and operating hours. All are welcome to take and share with those requiring support.

Altar Guild Opportunities: The Altar Guild needs help. Altar Guild members work on monthly rotating teams. Scheduling is accommodated within each team. As the saying goes, "many hands make light work". Please, prayerfully consider becoming a member. Please contact Pam Belch. Pcbelch77@gmail.com or 703 517 5829.

**Security Usher** volunteers are needed for both the 11 o'clock and 8:30 services. If you are willing to help with this program please email Kevin Flom at kflom2@yahoo.com for more information.

Men's Christian Fellowship Dinner: LSLC men meet the last Thursday of every month beginning at 6:00pm for dinner, fellowship and a short Bible study. The next dinner will be TUESDAY APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> at 6:00pm to celebrate Call Day! Questions? Contact Jim Neuburger.

Men's Fellowship Study Breakfast: All men of the congregation are invited to join other Living Savior men for breakfast, prayer and study on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 7:30 - 9:00 am. For those who cannot attend the breakfast in-person, we have Zoom available for the prayer and discussion. For our current study starting in September, we will be discussing the Gospel of Mark. Questions or Zoom information? Contact Paul Gross at Paul.grossjr@verizon.net

**On-line services** have become vital for many of our parishioners. In order to provide a high-quality worship experience, we need trained volunteers to run the cameras and audio systems. If you are interested, please contact Pastor, Dr. Horton, or the Communication Ministry Lead Habtu Mesfen at hmlh01@gmail.com.

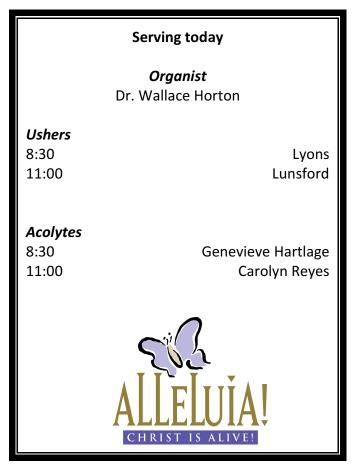
SAVE THE DATE: the next congregational voters meeting will be Sunday June 23, 2024 at 9:45 am in Klein Hall.

Living Savior Servant Leader nominations! The LSLC Nominating Committee is currently developing the 2024 slate of Board of Servant Leaders officers, at-large directors and ministry leads. If any member of the congregation has interest in a servant leadership position please contact Al Gray at agray300z@aol.com.

Gifts and Talents come in all shapes and forms and everyone has their own unique way of sharing with others. Living Savior Lutheran Church offers you many ways to share your gifts and talents and if you haven't yet committed to your personal spiritual growth and commitment to Living Savior's mission, you can do so by filling out and submitting a Stewardship Commitment form found in the magazine rack just outside of the Narthex. All of our ministries welcome and appreciate your special talents.

SCUBA - LSLC VBS 2024 - July 29, 2024-August 2, 2024 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!! Monday-Friday 9:00 to Noon. Ages 3 years old to rising 5th Graders. Adult and Teen volunteers needed. Take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about! For more information contact Wendy McGraw, Ellena Pollack or Cathi Willuweit.

Registration now open at vbspro.events/p/lslc-vbs





Living Savior introduced "Stewardship Moments" in 2023 as a way for congregation members to share the good news on experiences in life, not just what you have done for others, but more importantly what others and God's grace have done for you or those around you. If you have something special to share, please stand up during end of service announcements and ask to share a "stewardship moment."

Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> we will hold a ceremonial "burning" of the North Property mortgage paperwork between services in celebration of paying off the mortgage. The event will start at 10:00 am outside at the fire pit near the parking lot and the North Property. Please join us!

## **CHURCH FINANCES**

|                      | Mar. 2024 | YTD from   |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|
|                      |           | 1 Aug      |
| Total Revenue        | \$ 71,442 | \$ 538,918 |
| Total Expenses       | 49,589    | 532,484    |
| Change in Net Assets | \$ 21,853 | \$ 6,434   |

- Mar. 2024 total income was \$25.1k greater than in Mar. 2023, due to increased income from five Sundays, and Easter, in March 2024
- YTD expenses (excluding one-off items) have declined \$13.2k vs. last year, due to cost-saving measures and the North Property mortgage payoff
- For additional details, please see the one-page financial summary sheet in the narthex
- Please use the below QR code to make a one-time or recurring gift by credit/debit card or bank transfer:



**ADULT BIBLE STUDY!** Please join us for our Spring 2024 Adult Sunday School series, "Essential Truths of the Christian Faith". What are those essential core beliefs that bind all Christians? What are those doctrines that distinguish Christianity from other belief systems that may claim to be true? We meet in Klein Hall at 9:50 AM on Sundays. If you have any questions, please contact jasontolbert@gmail.com.

Concordia Lutheran Church Food Pantry (the "Ark") (Triangle, Virginia) serves low-income neighbors in need by sharing God's word at Wednesday evening services before opening the Ark to provide sustaining food and supplies. While all varieties of food are appreciated and needed, diapers and other items are also welcome; and easy-to-prepare meals such as Ramen and Macaroni & Cheese are often in demand. Next time you shop, please pick up a variety of items to drop in the Concordia bins.

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" Ephesians 2:10.

Donations to Living Savior Lutheran Church to continue our ministry are always welcome. We accept online contributions which you can access through our website and going to the "Contribute Online Here" link at the bottom of our home page.

**COMMUNION POLICY:** Everyone who is a baptized Christian, repents of sin, believes in the real presence of Christ's body and blood in, with, under the bread and wine of the Holy Communion is cordially invited to receive the Lord's Supper at Living Savior. To receive wine by individual cup, take a cup from the serving tray and wait for Pastor to say "The Blood of Christ", then return the cup to server that follows Pastor. To receive wine by the common cup (chalice), take the base & tilt to receive the amount you wish. If you wish to receive nonalcoholic white grape juice, there are individual cups in the center of the tray. Gluten/wheat/corn and soya free communion wafers are now available. Please speak to Pastor or an usher before the start of the service.